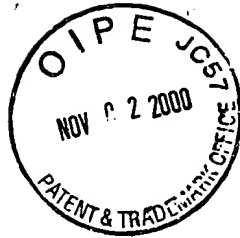


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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the
International Convention and all rights to which he is
entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following
Japanese Priority Applications:

11-183332, filed June 29, 1999; and

2000-170657, filed June 7, 2000.

Certified copies of the priority documents are
enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in
our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All

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Respectfully submitted,


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